

C. ADATSA - GENERAL INFORMATION

Purpose: To describe treatment and shelter services available to persons eligible for Alcoholism and Drug Addiction Treatment and Support Act (ADATSA) programs.

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WAC 388-800-0040 What is ADATSA?

- (1) ADATSA stands for the Alcohol and Drug Addiction Treatment and Support Act which is a legislative enactment providing state-financed treatment and support to chemically dependent indigent persons.
- (2) ADATSA provides eligible people with:
 - (a) Treatment if you are chemically dependent and would benefit from it; or
 - (b) A program of shelter services if you are chemically dependent and your chemical dependency has resulted in incapacitating physiological or cognitive impairments.

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WAC 388-800-0048 Who is eligible for ADATSA?

To be eligible for ADATSA services you must:

- (1) Be eighteen years of age or older;
- (2) Be a resident of Washington as defined in WAC 388-468-0005;
- (3) Meet citizenship requirements as described in WAC 388-424-0005.
- (4) Provide your Social Security Number; and
- (5) Meet the same income and resource criteria for the GA-U program; OR be receiving federal assistance under SSI or TANF.

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WAC 388-800-0060 What is the role of the ADATSA/adult assessment center in determining eligibility?

- (1) A department-designated chemical dependency assessment center determines your incapacity based on alcoholism and/or drug addiction.
- (2) The assessment center is the department's sole source of medical evidence required for the diagnosis and evaluation of your chemical dependency and its effects on employability.
- (3) The assessment center provides a written current assessment needed to determine your eligibility.

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WAC 388-800-0065 What are the responsibilities of ADATSA/adult assessment centers?

- (1) ADATSA/Adult assessment centers:
 - (a) Provide your diagnostic evaluation and decide your treatment placement;
 - (b) Conduct a face-to-face diagnostic assessment, according to WAC 388-805-310, to determine if you:
 - (i) Are chemically dependent;
 - (ii) Meet incapacity standards for treatment under WAC 388-800-0055; and
 - (iii) Are willing, able, and eligible to undergo a course of ADATSA chemical dependency treatment, once determined incapacitated.
 - (c) Determines a course of treatment based on your individual assessment of alcohol/drug involvement and treatment needs in accordance with RCW 70.96A.100.

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WAC 388-800-0070 What happens after I am found eligible for ADATSA services?

Once your financial and clinical eligibility is established, the assessment center:

- (1) Develops your ADATSA treatment plan;
- (2) Arranges all your chemical dependency treatment placements taking into account the treatment priorities described under WAC 388-800-0100;
- (3) Provides you with written notification of your right to return to the community service office (CSO) at any time while receiving ADATSA treatment;
- (4) Provides you with written notification of your right to request a fair hearing to challenge any action affecting eligibility for ADATSA treatment;
- (5) Provides ongoing case monitoring of your treatment services; and
- (6) Notifies the CSO promptly of your placement or eligibility status changes.

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WAC 388-800-0150 Who is my protective payee?

Your protective payee is either:

- (1) Your outpatient treatment provider while in ADATSA treatment; or
- (2) An agency under contract with the department to provide you with intensive protective payee services if you are an ADATSA shelter client.

CLARIFYING INFORMATION

1. A protective payee is established for a client who is receiving shelter assistance. (The outpatient provider is the protective payee for an outpatient client. See WAC 388-240-6100).
2. As with any client of the department, persons who are potentially eligible for SSI will be referred for SSI facilitation.

3. The department relies on the assessment center for a diagnosis for all referred clients and a treatment plan for all ADATSA eligible clients.

WORKER RESPONSIBILITIES

Initiate a referral for a client to an assessment center when there is evidence that the person is currently using alcohol or drugs to the extent that person's employability is affected.